

REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the courtesy of the Examiner in granting an interview to Applicant's representative Sanford T. Colb, Esq., registration number 26856, on 5 June 2007. Primary Examiner Christian Laforgia was also present at the interview. In the interview, a proposed amendment to claim 105 was discussed. It was agreed that the proposed amendment of claim 105 appears to overcome the outstanding rejection of claim 105 under 35 USC 102(e) in view of Maillard. The Examiner indicated that an updated search will be required upon entry of the amendment.

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action. The present amendment is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are hereby respectfully requested.

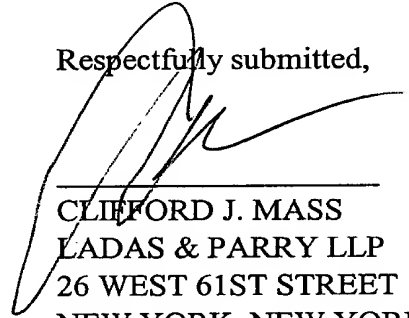
The present amendment comprises a formal submission of the amendment of claim 105 as discussed in the interview.

The amendment of claim 105 is supported, inter-alia, on page 9 of the originally filed application in the published PCT format.

Applicants hereby incorporate by reference the remarks included in the 25 May 2007 reply to the outstanding office action, filed as an RCE, and renew, without repeating, the arguments presented in that reply.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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